

TOWN OF ELLINGTON
WATER POLLUTION CONTROL AUTHORITY

REGULAR MEETING

May 18, 2010

Members Present: Daniel Parisi (Chairman), Tim Kiessling, Shawn Koehler, Edward Duell

Members Absent: Joe Stimac

Others Present: Town Engineer, Jim Thompson of Buck & Buck and Peter Williams, WPCA Administrator & Kristin Michaud, Recording Secretary.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Daniel Parisi called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. CITIZENS FORUM / PUBLIC COMMENTS: NONE

MOVED (KIESSLING), SECONDED (DUELL) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADD TO THE AGENDA A DISCUSSION FOR THE REVIEW OF LATERAL POLICY; TOWN OF VERNON 08-09 CREDIT AND THE PENDING PLANNING & ZONING REGULATION AMENDMENT ITEMS UNDER NEW BUSINESS.

III. OLD BUSINESS:

1. 10 Sullivan Road – Interest Rate Reduction Request

Peter Williams, WPCA Administrator, reviewed the topic with the Commissioner's. He stated that the property owners have brought the taxes on the property up to date. He noted that the Town Attorney advised the WPCA not to give interest rate reductions because they may have to follow suit for other rate reduction requests.

NO MOTIONS OR DECISIONS

V. NEW BUSINESS:

1. 45 Abbott Road – Force Main Extension

Mr. Williams reviewed what Kevin Santini, Santini Homes, Inc. was inquiring about.

Kevin Santini, Santini Homes, Inc. came forward and explained that he would like to request a credit of the sewer benefit assessment for 1 Elkrigde Place for constructing a force main to the location from the last manhole in the street at his expense. He also requested the WPCA not assess the homes along the new line until they decide to hook up.

Mr. Williams stated that a motion needed from the Commission not to assess the homes on septic until they hook up to sewer.

Mr. Santini stated that he will be adding 630' of pipe; roughly costing him \$10,000 so he is requesting a waiver of the benefit assessment of \$4500 for 1 Elkrigde Place.

Mr. Williams noted that this is a win, win situation and the WPCA could assess the new homes when they are constructed.

Jim Thompson, Town Engineer, stated that it will work out well for all.

MOVED (DUELL), SECONDED (KOEHLER) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL TO HAVE SANTINI HOMES, INC. INSTALL A FORCE MAIN IN EXCHANGE FOR A BENEFIT ASSESSMENT WAIVER OF 1 ELLRIDGE PLACE AND WILL NOT ASSESS THE EXISTING HOMES UNTIL THEY HOOK UP TO NEW SEWER LINE.

2. 298 Sandy Beach Road – Force Main Extension

Mr. Williams reviewed what the WPCA will have to do to service the properties in this section of town that has a septic system failing. . Discussion Ensued.

Commissioner Kiessling asked if all affected property owners have to pay the benefit assessment. Mr. Williams stated that when the line is put in they will pay and this could be done in installments over 20 years.

Commissioner Koehler stated that it would bring up property value in that section of town.

MOVED (KOEHLER), SECONDED (DUELL) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO REQUEST JIM THOMPSON, TOWN ENGINEER TO PREPARE A BUDGET AND CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE FOR 298 SANDY BEACH ROAD FORCE MAIN EXTENTION.

3. 77 Ellington Road – Force Main Extension

Mr. Williams stated that he had an inquiry from a resident stating that a family member had passed and the family is looking to build.

MOVED (KEISSLING), SECONDED (KOEHLER) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO REQUEST JIM THOMPSON, TOWN ENGINEER TO PREPARE A BUDGET AND CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE FOR 77 ELLINGTON ROAD FROCE MAIN EXTENTION.

4. Review Lateral Policy

Mr. Williams stated that a contractor has requested a review of the permit conditions that the entire existing lateral be replaced with approved sewer piping from the main to the house at the owner's expense be confirmed by the WPCA.

The following was reviewed and confirmed:

- When Orangeburg or other substandard piping is encountered it should be replaced from the main in the street to the structure as conditions warrant.
- A property owner who is being served by a sanitary sewer lateral is the sole beneficiary of the said lateral and thus is liable by CT Statute for all cost for its installations, maintenance and replacement from the main line to the structure being served. When conditions warrant, the WPCA has the authority by CT Statute to absorb lateral cost when deemed in the best interest of the community and has done so in the past.

NO MOTIONS OR DECSIONS

5. Town of Vernon 08-09 Audit

Town of Vernon will be sending over the 08-09 sewer user credit of \$24,355.49 shortly.

NO MOTIONS OR DECISIONS

6. Planning & Zoning Regulation Amendment

Mr. Williams stated that this amendment affects zones in residential sections of town. He is unsure at this point how it will affect the WPCA. He will talk to the Town Planner and report back with some additional information.

NO MOTIONS OR DECISIONS

VI. ADMINISTRATIVE:

1. Design, Construction, & Maintenance Reports:

i. Project 2008-2 RT 83 Sewer Line Reversal

Mr. Thompson presented an updated budget for Approval with a total projected cost of \$425,000. Mr. Thompson explained what the concurred cost for change of order #1 was about and what the interference was.

MOVED (DUELL), SECONDED (KEISSLING) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE THE BUDGET FOR CIP 2008-2 RT 83 SEWER LINE REVERSAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$425,000.

MOVED (KOEHLER), SECONDED (DUELL) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE CHANGE OF ORDER #1 AS RECOMMENDED BY THE TOWN ENGINEER.

ii. Project 2008-3 RT 83 Kimballs Brook Bridge

Mr. Thompson stated that he received a call from the DOT requesting him to get the project under way. He stated he has already brought the project before the Inland Wetland Commission and a public hearing was scheduled for June 21, 2010. If the state needs the WPCA to proceed, a special meeting for approval of the project may be needed.

MOVED (DUELL), SECONDED (KEISSLING) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO GRANT PETER WILLIAMS, WPCA ADMINISTRATOR AUTHORIZATION TO SIGN THE CONTRACT FOR SOFT COST CONSTRUCTION OF THIS PROJECT SO THE STATE CAN ISSUE A P.O. FOR THIS PROJECT.

iii. Project 2008-4 Sandy Beach Road and Stafford Road Extension

Mr. Williams reviewed the amount of money that was included in the budget pending approval. The Rogalla's are going to speak with the First Selectman tomorrow. Hopefully the Town budget will pass and they will receive the soft cost money to go ahead with the design of the project.

NO MOTIONS OR DECISIONS

iv. Project 2009-2 Orchard Street Repairs:

Mr. Thompson gave a status on the project and stated that the only thing to be completed is the pavement.

NO MOTIONS OR DECISIONS

BY CONSENSUS THE COMMISSION ADDED TO THE AGENDA AN UPDATE ON DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE REPORTS.

Mr. Williams explained that the Stafford sewer upgrade is proceeding nicely. They have lowered the cost from about \$15M to about \$8M.

NO MOTIONS OR DECISIONS

3. Approval of the March 16, 2010 Meeting Minutes.

MOVED (KIESSLING) SECONDED (KOEHLER) AND PASSED (ABSTAINED: PARISI) TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 16, 2010 MEETINGS.

Mr. Williams wanted to add that he received an invite to the Annual Meeting and Spring Workshop of the CT Association of Water Pollution Control Authorities, Inc. and if any member would like to attend please contact him to do so.

BY CONSENSUS THE COMMISSION ADDED TO THE AGENDA EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONEL TRAINING.

MOVED (KOEHLER), SECONDED (DUELL) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION INVITING ALL PRESENT.

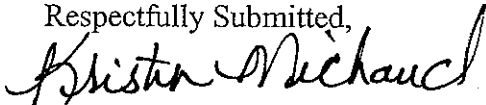
MOVED (DUELL), SECONDED (KOEHLER) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION.

NO MOTIONS OR DECISIONS

VII. ADJOURNMENT:

MOVED (KOEHLER) SECONDED (DUELL) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:14 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kristin Michaud